

REMARKS

The Specification is amended to include sequence identification numbers which were omitted at the time of filing.

Applicants respectfully request entry of the amendment in adherence with 37 C.F.R. §§1.821 to 1.825. This amendment is accompanied by a compact disk containing the sequences, SEQ ID NOS:1-6, in computer readable form, and a paper copy of the sequence information which has been printed from the compact disk.

The information contained in the computer readable disk was prepared through the use of the software program "PatentIn" and is identical to that of the paper copy. This amendment contains no new matter.

Telephonic Interview of February 8, 2005

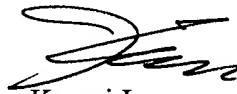
The undersigned was contacted by Examiner Qian on February 8, 2005 and was informed that the instant application needed to be in compliance with the requirements for patent applications containing nucleotide sequence and/or amino acid sequence disclosures set forth in 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.821-1.825. A brief review of the application to locate the presence of sequences then occurred. The undersigned and the Examiner agreed that compliance with the sequence requirement could be made via an amendment under 37 C.F.R. 1.312(a) without affecting the status of the claims as allowed and without introducing new matter. The undersigned indicated that compliance with the sequence requirements would be done before or with payment of the issue fee.

If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, please telephone the undersigned at 858-350-6151.

CONCLUSION

Entry of the above amendment is respectfully urged because it merely provides compliance with a formal requirement of the specification and does not affect the merits of the allowed claims.

Respectfully submitted,



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